

# **POTENTIAL ROLES FOR YOUTH IN YOUR PROGRAM**

## **Project planning**

Youth can help you plan and implement specific projects. they can develop action plans including time lines, recruitment, community outreach, evaluation, etc.

## **Researching community needs**

Youth can participate in a needs assessment process to determine what some of the unmet needs of the community are.

## **Provide direct service**

Youth can work to provide direct serviced to clients. E.g. they work in the homeless shelter serving meals and providing day care services.

## **Internal support**

Youth can work in your office and assist with day-to-day tasks such as answering phones, assisting with mailings, computer and websites, etc

## **Developing new initiatives**

Youth can help the community develop new initiatives. They are involved in developing the vision, setting the goals and determining the objectives for the project.

## **Evaluation**

Youth can help you assess program effectiveness by involving them in the evaluation. They can conduct interviews, develop and implement surveys and document their findings.

## **Training and supervision**

Youth who are properly trained and supported can help determine training needs, design a training program and train both youth and adults.